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FOURTH PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the Rules of Practice, please enter the following amendments and consider the remarks made hereinbelow. Applicants submit concurrently herewith: (1) a Response to the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures; (2) a copy of the Notice to Comply; and (3) a Petition for an Extension of Time for Response for one month from April 9, 2001 to and including May 9, 2001, accompanied by the appropriate fee. Also submitted herewith as Exhibit A is a marked-up version of the amended claims indicating the amendments made herein.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 4 and 5 as follows:

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E I 4 (once amended). The peptide of claim 3, which is CNSNQIC (SEQ ID

(1) NO:44).

5 (once amended). The peptide of claim 3, which is YCNSNQIC (SEQ ID

NO:53).

REMARKS

Claims 4 and 5 have been amended to include the relevant SEQ ID number for each peptide. No new matter is added by the amendments to the claims.